

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A device for partitioning ~~aan~~ extruded or coextruded plastic parison to give at least one semifinished open-surface product, ~~using~~ comprising at least one means of partitioning the plastic parison, ~~wherein the device comprises~~ and at least one draw-off means ~~of drive~~ for pulling the plastic parison over the means of partitioning thereby compensating for a resistance of the means of partitioning, wherein the draw-off means is heatable or coolable.
2. (currently amended) The device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the ~~means of drive~~ draw-off means is (i) a smooth, profiled, and grooved surface, (ii) a coated surface, or (iii) a smooth, profiled, grooved and coated surface.
3. (currently amended) The device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the draw-off means ~~of drive~~ comprises at least one driven roll.
4. (previously presented) The device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the means of partitioning the plastic parison comprises at least one of:
 - (i) sharp-edged cutting units; and
 - (ii) edgeless units.
5. (previously presented) The device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the means of partitioning the plastic parison is a body of triangular cross section which has been arranged transversely to a direction of extrusion.
6. (previously presented) The device as claimed in claim 4, wherein the units are metallic.
7. (currently amended) The device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the device further comprises a holder for at least one of the means of partitioning the plastic parison and ~~for the draw-off means of drive.~~

8. (previously presented) The device as claimed in claim 7, wherein the holder is a spacer for the semifinished open-surface products.
9. cancelled
10. (currently amended) The device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the draw-off means of ~~drive~~ has been set into recesses on the means of partitioning the plastic parison.
11. (currently amended) The device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the device ~~has~~further comprises a means of guiding the semifinished open-surface products for controlling the distance between the semifinished products.
12. (previously presented) The device as claimed in claim 11, wherein the means of guiding comprises guide rollers.
13. (currently amended) A process comprising partitioning an extruded or coextruded plastic parison to give at least one semifinished open-surface product, with a device comprising at least one means of partitioning ~~at~~the plastic parison, wherein the device comprises at least one means of drive and at least one draw-off means for pulling the plastic parison over the means of partitioning thereby compensating for a resistance of the means of partitioning, wherein the draw-off means is heatable or coolable.
14. (currently amended) The device as claimed in claim 3, wherein the draw-off means of ~~drive~~ comprises at least two driven rolls.
15. (previously presented) The device as claimed in claim 4 wherein the sharp-edged units are exchangeable.
16. (previously presented) The device as claimed in claim 4 wherein the edgeless units are bar-shaped.

17. (previously presented) The device as claimed in claim 6, wherein the units are metallic and have a coating of plastic.
18. (previously presented) The device as claimed in claim 5, wherein the body is metallic.
19. (previously presented) The device as claimed in claim 18, wherein the body is metallic and has a coating of plastic.
20. (canceled)
21. (previously presented) The device as claimed in claim 12, wherein the guide rollers are driven.
22. (previously presented) The device as claimed in claim 21 wherein the guide rollers can be moved transversely to a direction of extrusion.
23. (currently amended) The process as claimed in claim 13, where the device ~~further~~ further comprises a holder for at least one of the means of partitioning the plastic parison and the draw-off means.
24. (currently amended) The process as claimed in claim 23, further comprising heating or cooling ~~at least one of the holder, the means of partitioning the plastic parison and the means of drive~~.
25. (new) The device as claimed in claim 12 wherein the guide rollers are heatable or coolable.
26. (new) The process as claimed in claim 13 wherein the device further comprises a means of guiding the semifinished open-surface products for controlling the distance between the semifinished products.

27. (new) The process as claimed in claim 26 wherein the means of guiding comprises guide rollers.
28. (new) The process as claimed in claim 27 wherein the guide rollers are heatable or coolable.
29. (new) The process as claimed in claim 27 wherein the guide rollers are driven.
30. (new) The process as claimed in claim 13 wherein the means of partitioning the plastic parison is a body of triangular cross section which has been arranged transversally to a direction of extrusion.
31. (new) The device as claimed in claim 7 wherein the holder is heatable or coolable.
32. (new) The device as claimed in claim 1 wherein the means of partitioning is heatable or coolable.
33. (new) The process as claimed in claim 13 wherein the means of partitioning is heatable or coolable.